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ACADEMIC EMPLOYMENT

University of Connecticut , Storrs, Connecticut Assistant Professor, Faculty of Human Development & Family Studies <i>Faculty Affiliate</i> , Center for the Study of Culture, Health, and Human Development <i>Faculty Affiliate</i> , Center for the Study of Interpersonal Acceptance and Rejection <i>Faculty Affiliate</i> , Institute for Collaboration on Health, Intervention, and Policy <i>Faculty Affiliate</i> , Rudd Center for Food Policy & Obesity	2016 –
University of British Columbia , Vancouver, Canada Post-Doctoral Research & Teaching Fellow; Visiting Research Scientist	2014–2016

EDUCATION

University of Arizona , Tucson Ph.D., Family Studies & Human Development <i>Dissertation Committee</i> : Drs. Stephen T. Russell (chair), Adela Licona, Melissa Barnett	2014
University of Arizona , Tucson M.S., Family Studies & Human Development	2012
University of California, Los Angeles B.A., Psychology; Political Science	2009

AWARDED COMPETITIVE RESEARCH FUNDING

Extramural Research Funding

Co-Investigator , “ <i>Multilevel protective factors in the lives of LGB youth in North America</i> ” National Institutes of Health; Institute for Child and Human Development R01-HD078470, PI: M. Eisenberg, Co-I: E. Saewyc; Total: \$2,070,810 (<i>completed</i>)	2014–2016
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Internal Research Funding

Co-Principal Investigator , “ <i>An intersectionality approach: Health of LGBTQ youth</i> ” Vice President for Research Seed Grant, UConn; Total: \$39,825 (<i>in progress</i>) Co-PI: Rebecca Puhl; Partnership with the Human Rights Campaign	2017–2019
Principal Investigator , “ <i>Addressing the concerns and needs of UConn trans students</i> ” Scholarship Facilitation Fund Seed Grant, UConn; Total: \$2,000 (<i>in progress</i>) Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Council Grant, UConn; Total: \$800 (<i>in progress</i>)	2017–2018
Principal Investigator , “ <i>Transgender erasure and exclusion: Next steps</i> ” Public Discourse Project Seed Grant, UConn; Total: \$7,000 (<i>in progress</i>)	2017–2018
Principal Investigator , “ <i>Exploring the sexual minority hookup experiences in BC</i> ” Summer Work Learn; University of British Columbia; Total: \$6,624 (<i>completed</i>)	2015–2016

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SCHOLARLY PUBLICATIONS

*undergraduate and **graduate students mentored by Watson; IF = Journal Impact Factor

Refereed Journal Articles (In Print/Press)

1. Fish, J., **Watson, R.J.**, Russell, S.T., & Saewyc, E. (in press). Are alcohol-related disparities between sexual minority and heterosexual youth decreasing? *Addiction*. doi:10.1111/add.13896 (IF = 5.79)
2. Doull, M., **Watson, R.J.**, Smith, A., Homma, Y., & Saewyc, E. (in press). Are we leveling the playing field? Trends in sports participation among sexual minority youth. *Journal of Sports and Health Science*, Early Online View, 1-9. doi:10.1016/j.jshs.2016.10.006 (IF = 2.53)
3. **Watson, R.J.**, Grossman, A.H., & Russell, S.T. (in press). Sources of social support and mental health among LGB youth. *Youth & Society*, Early Online View, 1-19. doi:10.1177/0044118X16660110 (IF = 1.61)
4. **Watson, R.J.**, & Christensen, J. (2017). Big data and student engagement among vulnerable youth: A review. *Current Opinion in Behavioral Sciences*, 18, 23-27. doi:10.1016/j.cobeha.2017.07.004 (IF = 2.80)
5. Mehus, C., **Watson, R.J.**, Porta, C., & Eisenberg, M. (2017). Living as an LGBTQ adolescent and a parent's child. *Journal of Family Nursing*, 23(2), 175-200. doi:10.1177/1074840717696924 (IF = 2.54)
6. **Watson, R.J.**, Veale, J., & Saewyc, E. (2017). Disordered eating among transgender youth: Probability profiles from risk and protective factors. *International Journal of Eating Disorders*, 50(5), 512-522. doi:10.1002/eat.22627 (IF = 3.57)
7. Peter, T., Edkins, T., **Watson, R.J.**, Adjei, J., Homma, Y., & Saewyc, E. (2017). Trends in suicidality among sexual minority and heterosexual students in a Canadian population-based cohort study. *Psychology of Sexual Orientation and Gender Diversity*, 4(1), 115-123. doi:10.1037/sgd0000211
8. **Watson, R.J.**, Adjei, J., Saewyc, E., Homma, Y., & Goodenow, C. (2017). Trends and disparities in disordered eating among heterosexual and sexual minority adolescents. *International Journal of Eating Disorders*, 50(1), 22-31. doi:10.1002/eat.22576 (IF = 3.57)
9. Veale, J., **Watson, R.J.**, Peter, T., & Saewyc, E. (2017). Mental health disparities among Canadian transgender youth. *Journal of Adolescent Health*, 60(1), 44-49. doi:10.1016/j.jadohealth.2016.09.014 (IF = 3.97)
10. Veale, J., **Watson, R.J.**, Adjei, J., & Saewyc, E. (2016). Prevalence of pregnancy involvement among Canadian transgender youth and its relation to mental health, sexual health, and gender identity. *International Journal of Transgenderism*, 17(3-4), 107-113. doi:10.1080/15532739.2016.1216345
11. Goodenow, C., **Watson, R.J.**, Adjei, J., Homma, Y. & Saewyc, E. (2016). Sexual orientation trends and disparities in school bullying and violence-related experiences, 1999–2013. *Psychology of Sexual Orientation and Gender Diversity*, 3(4), 386-396. doi:10.1037/sgd0000188
12. **Watson, R.J.**, & Russell, S.T. (2016). Disengaged or bookworm: Academics, mental health, and success for sexual minority youth. *Journal of Research on Adolescence*, 26(1), 159-165. doi:10.1111/jora.12178 (IF = 2.29)
13. **Watson, R.J.**, Barnett, M., & Russell, S.T. (2016). Parent support matters for the educational success of sexual minorities. *Journal of GLBT Family Studies*, 12(2), 188-202. doi:10.1080/1550428X.2015.1028694
14. **Watson, R.J.**, McDonald, D., Carter, R., & Russo, J. M. (2016). Reducing youth risk behaviors through interactive theatre. *Journal of Human Sciences and Extension*, 4(1), 70-77.
15. Snapp, S., **Watson, R.J.**, Russell, S.T., Diaz, R., & Ryan, C. (2015). Social support networks for LGBT young adults: Low cost strategies for positive adjustment. *Family Relations*, 64(3), 420-430. doi:10.1111/fare.12124 (IF = 1.43)

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16. **Watson, R.J.**, Wheldon, C.W., Wichstrøm, L., & Russell, S.T. (2015). Cross-national investigation of health indicators among sexual minorities in Norway and the United States. *Social Sciences*, 4(4), 1006-1019. doi:10.3390/socsci4041006
17. **Watson, R.J.**, Wheldon, C.W., & Russell, S.T. (2015). How does sexual identity disclosure impact school experiences? *Journal of LGBT Youth*, 12(4), 385-396. doi:10.1080/19361653.2015.1077764

Refereed Journal Articles (Under Review)

- Watson, R.J.**, Fish, J., **Allen, A., & Eaton, L. (*revised & resubmitted*). Black men who have sex with men; Sexual identity, disclosure, and awareness of HIV prevention methods: A Latent Class Analysis. *Journal of Sex Research*. (IF = 2.86)
- Watson, R.J.**, Goodenow, C., Porta, C., Adjei, J., & Saewyc, E. (*revised & resubmitted*). Substance use among sexual minorities: Has it actually gotten better? *Substance Use & Misuse*. (IF = 1.48)
- Watson, R.J.**, Snapp, S., & *Wang, S. (*revised & resubmitted*). Next steps in the studies of lesbian, gay and bisexual youth hookups. *Sex Roles*. (IF = 1.95)
- Porta, C., Grumdahl, J., **Watson, R.J.**, Doull, M., & Saewyc, E. (*revise & resubmit*). Emotional distress and suicidality among sexual minority and heterosexual adolescents. *Journal of School Health*. (IF = 1.55)
- Watson, R.J.**, **Allen, A., Pollitt, A., & Eaton, L. (*under review*). Risk and protective factors for sexual health among bisexuals: Internalized heterosexism, sexual orientation disclosure, and religiosity. *Archives of Sexual Behavior*. (IF = 2.72)
- Watson, R.J.**, Rose, H., Doull, M., Adjei, J., & Saewyc, E. (*under review*). Many LGB youth are experiencing deteriorations in family connectedness and parent support. *Family Relations*. (IF = 1.43)
- Watson, R.J.**, *Shahin, Y., & Arbeit, M. (*under review*). Hookup satisfaction and outcomes related to initiation techniques differ across LGB young men and women. *Sexualities*. (IF = 0.92)
- Watson, R.J.**, Peter, T., **McKay, T., Edkins, T., & Saewyc, E. (*under review*). Mental health issues among lesbian, gay and bisexual adolescents: Changing inequalities. *Journal of Gay & Lesbian Mental Health*.
- **Hawkins, B., & **Watson, R.J.** (*under review*). Using social media to connect LGBTQ people to health services: A scoping review. *Journal of Homosexuality*. (IF = 0.86)

Refereed Chapters in Edited Books, Encyclopedia Entries, and Viewpoints

- **Hawkins, B., & **Watson, R.J.** (2017). LGBT cyberspaces: a need for a holistic investigation. *Children's Geographies*, 15(1), 122-128. doi:10.1080/14733285.2016.1216877 (IF = 1.70)
- **Stathatos, M., **Watson, R.J.**, & Sulkowski, M. (2016). Peer victimization and resilience among LGBT youth. *Communiqué*, 45(2), 1,32-33.
- Licona, A.C., & **Watson, R. J.** (2016). Sexual minorities. In N. Naples (Ed.), *The Wiley-Blackwell Encyclopedia of Gender and Sexuality Studies*. New York, NY: Wiley-Blackwell. doi:10.1002/9781118663219.wbegss259
- Watson, R.J.**, & Russell, S.T. (2015). LGBTQ families and schools. In G. L. Wimberly (Ed.), *Research on LGBTQ in Education: Using and Investing in Building Knowledge* (pp. 75-88), Washington, DC: AERA.
- Russell, S.T., **Watson, R.J.**, & Muraco, J.A. (2011). Development of same-sex intimate relationships. In B. Laursen & A.W. Collins (Eds.), *Relationship Pathways: From Adolescence to Young Adulthood* (pp. 215-233). Thousand Oaks, CA: Sage.

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Community Outreach Publications

- **Hohti, S., & **Watson, R.J.** (2016) Dietary choices of South Asian adolescents in British Columbia. McCreary Centre Society. Access: http://www.mcs.bc.ca/pdf/south_asian_diet_factsheet.pdf
- **Bazerbachi, B., **Almakadma, A., **Watson, R.J.**, & Adjei, J. (2016). Stress and alcohol use among West Asian youth. McCreary Centre Society. Access: http://www.mcs.bc.ca/pdf/west_asian_youth_fact_sheet.pdf
- Bauman, S., **Watson, R.J.**, & Alvarez, J. (2013). Submit* the Documentary: Educational Film Guide. Submit the Documentary LLC. Access: http://wqpt.org/downloads/bullying/stopbullying_submitdoc_studyguide.pdf
- Watson, R.J.**, Snapp, S.D., Russell, S.T., Licona, A.C., & The Crossroads Collaborative. (2012). Prevalence and interventions of bullying in Tucson public schools. *Crossroads Connections*, 1, 1-4. University of Arizona: Tucson, AZ. Access: <http://www.ryanjwatson.com/watsoncrossroadsconnection.pdf>
- Russell, S.T., Licona, A.C., **Watson, R.J.**, Mock, K., Sandoval, M., Tilley, E., & Snapp, S. (2011). Evaluation of the "School climate survey", "Let's Get Real program", "Nuestra Voz summer camp" and in-class Nuestra Voz program. Tucson, AZ: The University of Arizona.

AWARDED COMPETITIVE TRAINING FUNDING

Canadian Institutes of Health Research (CIHR) Post-Doctoral Fellowship Competition rank: 64/1018; Total: \$90,000	2016–2018
Michael Smith Research (MSR) Post-Doctoral Fellowship Total applicants: 154; Total: \$83,000	2016–2018
National Science Foundation (NSF) Pre-Doctoral Fellow DGE-1143953; PI: R. Watson; Total: \$130,000	2011–2014
NSF Pre-Doctoral Fellow International Training Dissertation Grant , Trondheim, Norway NSF (\$5,000); Research Council of Norway (\$14,670), Total: \$19,670	2013
NIH Fenway Institute Trainee , Summer Institute in LGBT Population Health, Boston, Massachusetts HD064426 (R-25) NIH funded; PI: Judith Bradford, Total: \$168,483	2012

HONORS & AWARDS

Dean's Excellence in Teaching Recognition , University of Connecticut	2017
Emerging Scholar Spotlight , European Association for Research on Adolescence	2016
Emerging Scholar Spotlight , Society for Research on Adolescence	2015
Pre-Doctoral Fellow , National Science Foundation	2010–2014
Junior Scholar , Selected to attend EARA / SRA International Summer School, Utrecht, Netherlands	2014
1st place: Interdisciplinary Research Award , Graduate College: University of Arizona	2014
International Research Fellow , National Science Foundation; Research Council of Norway	2013
CALS Graduate Fellowship , University of Arizona	2010–2011
Ruth R. Cowden Scholarship , College of Agriculture and Life Sciences, University of Arizona	2010
Graduate Diversity Fellow , University of Arizona	2010

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SELECTED ACADEMIC CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

- Watson, R.J.**, Snapp, S., & **Wang, S. (April, 2018). *Hookups among sexual minority populations: A review and new research agenda*. Paper submitted to the Society of Research on Adolescence, Minneapolis, MN.
- Watson, R.J.** (April, 2018). *Substance use among transgender youth: Risk and protective factors from probability profiles*. Paper and symposium chair submitted to the Society of Research on Adolescence, Minneapolis, MN.
- **McKay, T., & **Watson, R.J.** (April, 2018). *Mental health issues among LGB school students in Canada*. Poster submitted to the American Educational Research Association conference, New York, NY.
- Watson, R.J.** (November, 2017). *Sexual and romantic relationships for sexual minority emerging adults*. Invited pre-conference panel member at the annual Emerging Adulthood conference, Washington DC.
- Russell, B., Gordon, M., & **Watson, R.J.** (November, 2017). *Associations between adolescent depression and public health concerns in early adulthood: Family influences for sexual minority youth*. Poster accepted to the National Council of Family Relations, Orlando, FL.
- Watson, R.J.** (October, 2017). *Better understanding transgender health: Multi-method and cross-national investigations into well-being and protective factors*. Symposium (chair) accepted to the Canadian Professional Association for Transgender Health biennial conference, Vancouver, Canada.
- Watson, R.J.**, Veale, J.F., & Saewyc, E. (October, 2017). *Protective factors and disordered eating in a national sample of transgender youth*. Paper accepted to the Canadian Professional Association for Transgender Health biennial conference, Vancouver, Canada.
- Watson, R.J.** (April, 2017). *An international examination of bullying based on sexual orientation and gender in school: Economics, consequences, and solutions*. Symposium discussant at the biennial meeting of the Society of Research on Child Development, Austin, TX.
- Mehus, C., **Watson, R.J.**, Eisenberg, M., Corliss, H., & Porta C. (November, 2016). *Living as an LGBTQ adolescent and a parent's child: Examining degrees of overlap*. Poster presented at the National Council of Family Relations, Minneapolis, MN.
- Watson, R.J.**, Goodenow, C., & Saewyc, E. (September, 2016). *School bullying among sexual minority youth in Massachusetts*. Paper presented at the European Association for Research on Adolescence, Cádiz, Spain.
- *Shahin, Y., & **Watson, R.J.** (March, 2016). *Hookup initiation among lesbian, gay and bisexual young adults and associated outcomes*. Mentored student poster presented at Making Waves in Psychology, Victoria, BC.
- Watson, R.J.**, Adjei, J., & Saewyc, E. (March, 2016). *Trends in school experiences are linked to the presence and length of gay-straight alliance networks*. Symposium chair and paper presented at the biennial meeting of the Society for Research on Adolescence (SRA), Baltimore, MD.
- Watson, R.J.**, Adjei, J., & Saewyc, E. (March, 2016). *There are widening disparities in disordered eating for sexual minorities*. Paper presented at the biennial meeting of SRA, Baltimore, MD.
- Adjei, J., **Watson, R.J.**, & Saewyc, E. (March, 2016). *Sexual health behaviors among sexual minority and heterosexual youth*. Paper at the biennial meeting of SRA, Baltimore, MD.
- Goodenow, C., **Watson, R.J.**, & Saewyc, E. (March, 2016). *Suicide-related ideation and behaviors among sexual minority and heterosexual youth*. presented Paper at the biennial meeting of SRA, Baltimore, MD.
- Watson, R.J.**, Saewyc, E., Adjei, J., & Rose, H. (November, 2015). *Changes in family and parent relations for sexual minority adolescents in British Columbia since 1998: A trend analysis*. Paper presented at the biennial meeting of the National Council of Family Relations (NCFR), Vancouver, Canada.

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- Saewyc, E., **Watson, R.J.**, & Adjei, J. (November, 2015). *Positive family and parent relationships decrease the odds of problem substance use for sexual minority adolescents*. Paper presented at NCFR, Vancouver.
- Adjei, J., Saewyc, E., **Watson, R.J.**, & Rose, H. (November, 2015). *Challenges of being a sexual minority teen parent: Does sexual orientation matter?* Paper presented at the biennial meeting of NCFR in Vancouver.
- Clark, B., **Watson, R.J.**, Veale, J., Saewyc, E., & Travers, R. (November, 2015). *Are family relationships of Canadian transgender youth similar to those of cisgender youth?* Paper presented at NCFR in Vancouver.
- Watson, R.J.**, & Russell, S.T. (April, 2015). *LGBT families and their interactions with schools*. Invited roundtable and paper talk presented at the annual meeting of the American Educational Research Association, Chicago.
- Watson, R.J.**, McDonald, D., & Carter, R. (March, 2015). *Reducing youth risk behaviors through interactive theatre*. Poster presented at the biennial meeting of the Society for Research in Child Development, Philadelphia, PA.
- McDonald, D., Carter, R., **Watson, R.J.**, Russo, J., & Steele, J. (November, 2014). *Examining the effectiveness of a youth theater intervention to increase decision-making skills*. Poster at the CALS Research Poster Forum, University of Arizona, Tucson, AZ.
- Watson, R.J.**, Wichstrøm, L., & Russell, S.T. (September, 2014). *Comparing sexual minorities across cultures: Norway and the United States*. Symposium chair and paper presented at the biennial meeting of the European Association for Research on Adolescence, Izmir, Turkey.
- Watson, R.J.**, & Wichstrøm, L. (September, 2014). *Social support's impact on depression for sexual minorities in Norway*. Paper presented at the meeting of the European for Research on Adolescence, Izmir, Turkey.
- Watson, R.J.**, Russell, S.T., & Grossman, A.H. (May, 2014). *Social support and self-esteem amongst minority youth*. Paper presented at Association for Psychological Science, San Francisco, CA.
- Watson, R.J.**, Grossman, A.H., & Russell, S.T. (March, 2014). *Sources of social support and their impact on depression for sexual minority youth*. Poster presented at the biennial meeting of the Society for Research on Adolescence, Austin, TX.
- Watson, R.J.**, & Russell, S.T. (April, 2013). *The importance of academic engagement for non-heterosexual youth's psychosocial outcomes*. Paper presented at the biennial meeting of the Society of Research on Child Development, Seattle, WA.
- Watson, R.J.**, Grossman, A. H. & Russell, S.T. (April, 2013). *The impact of different forms of victimization on self-mutilation behaviors and the role of protective factors for LGBT youth*. Poster presented at the Society of Research on Child Development, Seattle, WA.
- Watson, R.J.**, & Russell, S.T. (August, 2012). *The impact of interpersonal relationships on educational outcomes for sexual minority youth*. Symposium chair and paper presented at the biennial meeting of the European Association for Research on Adolescence, Spetses, Greece.
- Watson, R.J.**, Licona, A., & Russell, S.T. (May, 2012). *The prevalence and implications of bullying in Tucson schools for youth*. Paper presented at the New Directions Conference, Tucson, AZ.
- Watson, R.J.**, Sinclair, K.O., & Russell, S.T. (March, 2012). *The effects of being out on academic achievement*. Poster presented at the Society for Research on Adolescence, Vancouver, Canada.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

University of Connecticut

Instructor: HDFS 1060 - Close Relationships
University of Connecticut; Department of Human Development & Family Studies
Spring 2017 (91 students); Fall 2017 (330 students)

2017—

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Instructor: HDFS 3277 - Issues in Human Sexuality 2016—
University of Connecticut; Department of Human Development & Family Studies
Fall 2016 (60 students); Spring 2017 (60 students); Fall 2017 (90 students)

University of British Columbia

Instructor: PSYCH 350A - Psychological Aspects of Human Sexuality 2016
University of British Columbia; School of Psychology
Winter '16 (184 students); Summer '16 (187 students); Summer '15 (118 students)

University of Arizona

Instructor: FSHD 450 - Human Sexuality and Relationships (online) 2011—2014
Teaching Associate: FSHD 450 - Human Sexuality and Relationships 2011

INVITED TALKS & LECTURES

- “Sex and romantic experiences of high risk and vulnerable young adults”** 2017
Invited panel member at the Society for the Study of Emerging Adulthood; Washington DC
- “Hooking up among young queer people: Technology, discrimination, and health”** 2017
Talk and discussion at the 24th annual True Colors Conference; Storrs, Connecticut
- “Families matter: Parent support, acceptance, and autonomy-granting for sexual minorities”** 2017
Invited talk and discussion for Center for the Study of Interpersonal Acceptance and Rejection
- “Cross-national investigation of health indicators among sexual minorities”** 2016
Invited talk and discussion for Center for the Study of Culture, Health, and Human Development
- “Family and developmental issues related to non-heterosexuality and gender identity”** 2016
Invited lecture at University of Connecticut; Instructor: Jessica Maksut
- “The importance of GSAs for reducing victimization in British Columbia”** 2015
Presentation at the annual meeting of the CRBC Gay Men’s Health Summit; Vancouver, Canada
- “Making it better: What helps lower odds of suicidality among gay boys?”** 2015
Invited talk at the annual meeting Pacific AIDS Network; Vancouver, Canada
- “What’s happening in LGB youth health over time in British Columbia?”** 2015
Talk at annual meeting of Queer U Conference; University of British Columbia, Vancouver, Canada
- “Non-Heterosexuality in Canada and the United States: Contemporary issues”** 2015
Invited lecture at University of British Columbia, Psychology; Instructor: Dr. Terri-Lynn McKay
- “Comparisons of the sexual minority experience across Norway and the US”** 2014
Invited lecture, University of Arizona: https://lgbt.arizona.edu/news/deepdish_watson
- “Development across the lifespan for sexual minority individuals in the US”** 2013
Invited lecture, Norwegian University of Science and Technology, Trondheim, Norway
- “Bullying and cyberbullying: What do we know? What can we do?”** 2013
Invited lecture & workshop in Nogales, Arizona; Santa Cruz Community Action Coalition
- “LGBTQ youth and bullying: Creating inclusive communities”** 2013
Invited lecture at Arizona State University, School of Social Work; Instructor: Sarah F. Kurker
- “Prevalence and Interventions of bullying in Tucson”** 2012
Fund for Civility & Congressman Ron Barber Anti-bullying event; Tucson, Arizona

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PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

University Service

HDFS Undergraduate Student Association Faculty Advisor , UConn	2017—
Post-doctoral Fellow Travel Award Adjudicator , University of British Columbia	2016
Graduate Student Reviewer , University of Arizona Travel Grants	2013–2014
NSF Graduate Editor , University of Arizona Graduate College	2012–2014
Treasurer , Family Studies Student Roundtable, University of Arizona	2012–2013

Community Service

Leadership Committee , True Colors Annual Conference	2016—
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National Service

LGBTQ National Advisory Council Member , Big Brothers Big Sisters of America	2017—
LGBT Caucus Student Mentor , American Public Health Association	2017—
Symposium Reviewer , Society for Research on Adolescence	2015—
Finance Committee Member , Society for Research on Adolescence	2014–2018
Emerging Scholar Committee , European Association for Research on Adolescence	2014–2018
Emerging Scholar Committee , Society for Research on Adolescence	2014–2018
Malyon-Smith Award Reviewer , American Psychological Association, Division 44	2016–2017
Symposium Reviewer Mentor (Tim McKay) , Society for Research on Adolescence	2017
Symposium Reviewer , Panel 18, Sex & Gender, Society for Research in Child Development	2016
Student Poster Award Reviewer , Society for Research on Adolescence	2016

Journal Reviewing and Editorships

Editorial Board Member , Journal of Research on Adolescence	2017—
Editor, Special Issue , International Journal of Transgenderism	2016–2017
Title: <i>“Today’s transgender youth: Health, well-being, and opportunities for resilience”</i>	
Co-Editor: Dr. Jaimie Veale, Editor-in-chief: Dr. Walter Bourman, doi:10.1080/15532739.2016.1249693	

Invited (Ad-hoc) reviewer for 22 journals, including:

American Journal of Men’s Health, American Journal of Public Health, Child Development, Emerald Studies in Media and Communication, International Journal of Sexual Health, Journal of Adolescent Health, Journal of Adolescent Research, Journal of Applied Developmental Psychology, Journal of GLBT Family Studies, Journal of Homosexuality, Journal of Research on Adolescence, Journal of Social and Personal Relationships, Journal of Sex Research, Media & Society, Psychology of Sexual Orientation and Gender Diversity, Research in Social Stratification & Mobility, SAGE Open, Sexuality Research and Social Policy, Scandinavian Journal of Psychology, Social Problems, The Counseling Psychologist, Youth & Society

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AWARDED COMPETITIVE TRAVEL GRANTS

Trainee Travel Award , Canadian Institutes of Health Research (\$1,475)	2016
Post-doctoral Fellow Travel Award , University of British Columbia (\$500)	2016
Trainee Travel Award , Jacobs Foundation, Izmir, Turkey (\$1,000)	2014
Graduate Student Council Award , University of Arizona (\$500, \$500, \$716)	2012, 2013, 2014
Fellow Travel Award , National Science Foundation (\$500)	2011–2013
FSHD Travel Award , University of Arizona (\$400, \$250, \$250, \$250)	2011–2014
Student Poster Award , Western Psychological Association Student (\$500)	2008

STUDENT SUPERVISION

Supervised PhD Students

Timothy McKay, HDFS PhD student (major advisor) 8/2017—

PhD/Masters Student Committee Advisement

David Lanza, Universidad Autónoma de Madrid; International faculty committee member 2016–2017

Supervised and Mentored Research of Graduate and Undergraduate Students

Paid Research Positions

Cassandra Zwarycz, HDFS graduate student, UConn; employed (5 hours/week)	2017
Alejandra Botia, Psychology graduate student, UBC; employed (30 hours/week)	2015–2016
Blake Hawkins, Information Sciences graduate student; UBC (20 hours/week)	2015–2016
Skyler Wang, Sociology undergraduate student, UBC; employed (12 hours/week)	2015

Research Mentorship

Ladetric Driver, Psychology doctoral student; UConn	2016—
Aerielle Allen, Psychology doctoral student; UConn	2016—
Jessica Maksut, HDFS doctoral student; UConn	2016—
Yousef Shahin, Psychology undergraduate student; UBC	2016
Catherine Shaffer, Psychology undergraduate student; Simon Fraser University	2016
Claire Pitcher; Max Ferguson, Nursing graduate students; UBC	2016
Emily Hirst, Psychology undergraduate student; Simon Fraser University	2016
Shevonne Hothi, Nursing undergraduate student; UBC	2015
Hakim Almakadma; Basel Bazerbachi, Medical students; Alfaisal University, Saudi Arabia	2015

Teaching Mentorship/Practicum Students Advised

Alex Molaver, Close Relationships (HDFS 1060) teaching practicum student, UConn HDFS	2017
Jeanine Dalessio, Close Relationships (HDFS 1060) teaching assistant, UConn HDFS student	2017

Individualized Major Advisor

Mia Yona; Undergraduate student, UConn 2017—

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MEDIA COVERAGE

“LGBTQ definitions every good ally should know” Quoted in <i>USA Today</i> , https://goo.gl/43mNvm	2017
“Researchers launch national study on the lives of LGBTQ teens” University of Connecticut Today, https://goo.gl/jJlucb	2017
“HRC launches major new survey of LGBTQ teens” Human Rights Campaign Press Release, https://goo.gl/dxepFt	2017
“A Q&A with human sexuality Professor Dr. Ryan Watson” University of Connecticut: The Daily Campus, http://goo.gl/8yfpqX	2017
“Sexual minority youth have higher rates of disordered eating behaviors: UBC study” University of British Columbia News Room, July 21, 2016: http://goo.gl/svB6fx Covered by 36 news outlets , including: Castanet, CBC News, CTV News, City News, Global News, Globe and Mail, Kelowna Capital, Medical Xpress, MedIndia, Metro News, The Indian Express, The Economic Times, Times Colonist, Yahoo News, Washington Blade, Winnipeg Free Press CBC News Highlight: http://goo.gl/TbFZNO , Live on 4 radio stations, incl. CBC: http://goo.gl/Vrm132	2016
“Transgender youth as likely to become pregnant as other adolescents” University of British Columbia News Room; http://www.goo.gl/hq4fSu	2016
“Graduate student attends international summer school in adolescent development” McClelland Institute Family Link Fall 2014: https://goo.gl/cxELLF	2014
“The USA and Norway offer unique perspectives into the lives of LGBTs” LiveScience.com: Behind the Scenes: http://goo.gl/YG60Ya	2014
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